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Mr. Everett's Address. Liberty Hall was completely filled or Thursday night, to hear Mr. Everett's celebrated address on the Character of Washington. We do not remember to have seen a greater crowd in that spacious room on any previous occasion. The number of ladies present was remerked as unusual, for a public meeting.

Mr. Everett was presented to the audience, in some happy and appropriate remarks, by Wm. H. Fowle, esq., on behalf of the Ladies' Mount Verson Association. The introduction was graceful, and in good taste.

Mr. Everett then arose, and for-we were about to say how long, but really, after he commenced, "we took no note of time"-but we will substitute, until he concluded, held that large assemblage spell-bound by his eloquence. It was an effort, undoubtedly, of great power and beauty, worthy of the subject and the orator. We do not know that we can pay a higher compliment than this, to the theme and the speaker. Seldom has this community had an opportunity of enjoying such an intellectual repast. From begioning to end, it was replete with chaste and beautiful imagery, not overloading and obscuring the picture drawn, but only adding to its beauty and interest. The language was pure, and even idiomatic--the style after the best models of English composition-the delivery not strained nor boisterous, but within the bounds of correct oratory-the illustrations appositr -- the sentiments noble, generous, and patriotic, and the delineations of character sketched by a master's hand. The Address was an unfaltering flow of real eloquence:-to which a sweet voice, a winning manner, and a correct pronunciation, added a charm, which captivated the feelings and satisfied the judgment. We have often wondered how Mr. Everett

could repeat this Address as many times as he has delivered it, with so much of unflagging spirit as be manifests. But if he always speaks to such audiences as he had here, we wonder no longer. Their interest, and even enthusiasm, would lend a vigor to any orator, no matter how familiar his own words might be to his own ears. The hearty and spontaneous applause which burst forth re- umns of the official report. peatedly, and was restrained still more frequently, by the desire not to lose a sentence, and yet shown in the eyes and countenances isteners, must have been felt by the speaker. It was heart responsive to heart, and the pleasure given must have been returned to, and acknowledged by, the mind capable of eliciting such emotions.

To add that there is no dissenting voice to the estimate we have formed of Mr. Everett's the 10th, and regret that it will not be in address, and to the general opinion of his merits as an orator, as far as we heard, is hardly necessary. His public speeches are always of the highest order, but, probably. his Oration on Washington will be considered his best effort. Of him, it may be said, as has been said of an ancient orator, that his speeches "give that delight which is analagous to gracefulness in motion, to melody in a series of sounds, and to beauty in the most beautiful of all visible objects, the human form. He is a fair specimen of that Attic roundness in oratory, to which nothing should be added, and from which nothing can be taken away, without destroying its justness and its symmetry, and of which those who assist their mental operations by material helps, will have the best idea by taking in their hands a sample of the finest grain. He brings into each branch of the subjects he discusses, a felicity of performance, that, as Johnson said of Goldsmith, he always seems to do best, that which he is doing-possessing that equable flow of language where the words do not take off from the ideas, and where ideas are not consulted to the absolute exclusion of words, where gentle metaphore, like knolle upon a rich champain, relieve all the details, and where the arrangement is so masterly that every former part gives strength to that which follows, and every latter brings some light to all that precedes."

Col. Benton, in his Abridgement of the Debates in Congress, sketches the Sixteenth Congress, the first under the second administration of Mr. Monroe. It contrasts with the Congresses of the past few years. He save :- "There they were, day in and day out, at their places, punctual towevery duty, loyal to liberty, when even to name her was ripe in wiedem, rich in knowledge, modest, almost to die virtuous, decorous, deferential, and wholly intent upon the public good. There I made my first acquaintance with the federal gentlemen of the old school, and while differing from them on systems of policy, soon came to appreciate their high personal character, to admire their finished manners, to recognize their solid patriotism (according to their views of government,) and to feel grateful to them as the principal founders of our Gov- addresses-the great rush to hear at the outernment, and in all this I only divided sen- set-the indifference and failing off of heartiments with the old republicans, all living on terms of personal kindness with their political adversaries, and with perfect respect ing of other bulls and braying of more loud for each other's motives and opinions.'

The classes in the different Philadelphia Medical Colleges for the season just closed, numbered the following matriculants :-- In Jefferson College, 501; in the University of Pennsylvania, 435; in the Pennsylvania College, 140; Homospathic College, 68; in the Philadelphia College, 64; and in the College of Pharmacy, 90. Total, 1,298. The session in most of the colleges, commences towards the end of September or in the beginning of October-lasting six months.

Several spots on the disc of the sun are now visible, three of which are of very large size. They may be seen by means of a telescope of moderate power.

Navigation on the Chesapeake and Obio, and Alexandria Canals will now be resumed in a few days. The Cumberland Telegraph, speaking of the Coal trade, says :- "It is generally conceded that but a small amount of coal will be shipped by this channel in the early part of the season. The demand at present is not very brisk, and orders come in slowly. The financial pressure has had its ffect upon the coal trade as well as upon all other branches of business. As soon as they revive, a corresponding revival will take place n the coal trade. The later is dependent upon the former. Money is new getting more abundant East and North, and accessible to manufacturers. This will enable them to resume operations, thus creating a demand for supplies of coal, and rendering the coal companies able to push the mining business forward with vigor. But this will take time. Still all must wait patiently for its occur-

The body of a man, greatly mutilated by hogs and dogs, was found among some bushes in a field near Fort Hamilton. New York. a few days since. Information being given to Coroner Bennett, of Brooklyn, he ascertained that it was the body of Ephraim H. lowell, late a director of the Grocers' Bank of New York, who had been missing since November last. A revolver was found by his side, and one barrel had been discharged. which gave rise to the supposition that he had committed suicide. A valuable gold watch and chain, and some money were also discovered near the remains.

The Fairfax News says :-- "We have no hesitation in saying from the feeling manifested on Monday last, and we took some pains in endeavoring to ascertain publicopinion, that the vote of the Delegate from this county, against appropriations to our unfinished works, is emphatically disapproved of by a large majority of our citizens. We yet hope he may retrace his steps and aid these works to their completion, for we are assured that, unless this be done, the large interest the State now has in them may be lost."

An examination was made on Saturday last in Norfolk, relative to the fire which occured on the previous afternoon at Mr. Doyle's Rope Walk. It was evident from the testimony, that the oakum in one of the large cylinders in the furnishing room of the building which was burned, had ignited from the friction of the iron in the cylinder.

In New York, on Wednesday, a man named Christopher Reynolds killed his brother, Dennis Reynolds, by stabbing him to the beart with a carving knife. The murdered man has a wife and two children, and Christopher being without family lived with him. They occupied the basement of a bouse in

R. W. Hughes, formerly editor of the Richmond Examiner, and Mr. Johnson, of New York, are now the principal writers for the editorial department of the Washington Uni-

Miss Hosmer's beautiful statue of Beatrice Cenei, is now on exhibition at Philips' Art with grain from Isle of Wight county, Va. Gallery, in Washington.

Wednesday's debates and proceedings of the two Houses of Congress filled forty col-

There is a report that Forrest, the tragedian, has been "converted" at one of the religious revivals at the North.

We have received from Mr. Geo. E. French, the April number of Harper's Magazine.

Letter from Gov. Wise,

RICHMOND, VA., March 13, 1858 .-- GEN TLEMEN: I gratefully acknowledge yours of my power to be present with the Irish citizons of Washington and their friends at the

anniversary of Ireland's Patron Saint. I thank you for your appreciation of my support of the principles of civil and religious liberty and of the rights of adopted citizens. If naturalization had done no more than to demonstrate the nobility of the race of Irishmen, that, though it may not flourish under the dominion of British monarchy, it finds a soil "in the land of the free" congenial to the development of traits of greatness which make America smile as sweetly for the future as Ireland mourns over her grandeur of the past, it would have done enough to forbid a departure from the patriotic policy of opening wide the door of an asylum to the oppressed of every land. In no sthere however high or humble, has the Irish stock failed to illustrate its energy, its intellect, its activity, and endurance in the encounter of American enterprise and progress. From Montgomery at Quebec down to the mattock and spade of any canal or turnpike-on every battle-field, in the forum, in the hails of legislation, and in the but of the laborer, the heart of the Irishman has beaten high, and his head and his hand have done their work well for the honor of his race and the welfare of his adopted country. Here, too, he loses the only traits he ought to leave behind him when he comes to a country of religious freedom-he loses whatever bigotry beset him at home. Here he finds that the lion and the lamb may lie down together in peace, and that Profestants and Catholics may be brothers in civil privileges. and be at peace in the privileges of conscience. They mingle with each other and with the native stock of America, and they help to make a crop in our country which cannot be conquered. Above all in Irishmen that which I leve is their heartfelt devotion to

Old Irelard berself. I give you: John Philpet Curran, the advocate in 1798 "He was upright, when honor was rebellion; he was true, when integrity was treason; he stood by the accused and the doomed, when to pity was to participate; and he was

HENRY A. WISE. Yours, truly,

A Suggestion.

Horace Greeley has made a partial promise to deliver an address at the next Lafayette county Fair at Connersville, Ind. In his letter, in reply to the invitation, he says : "You, of course, have already observed

what a farce is often made of these agricultural ers after a tew minutes-and the drowning of the speaker's voice at intervals, by the roarvoiced, if not more elequent donkeys! I was completely drowned at your State Fair, some years back, by a band of music and other brutal noises. Try to help me in this respect, if I go, as I mean to. "HORACE GREELEY."

Mormon Freedom.

In a sermon by Heber, delivered on the 20th of December, in Great Salt Lake City, be save: "I will tell you the day of our separation

people, isolated a thousand miles from the of Sam Jones's party, as soon as he can Christian nation, and thanks be to our God, forever, and we are the people of God, and this is the kingdom of King Emapuel, in to find the hostile Indians. The latter found tions unto us, they that will be gathered, and solicitation. This fact augurs well for a fathese mountains, and He will gather all nathose who will not He will compel them."

News of the Day.

"To show the very age and body of the TIMES." Mr. Crittenden's speech in the Senate, attracted the largest audience of any Kansas speech. Mr. Stockel, Lord Napier, and several of the ladies of the Senators in the ulated him.

The Texas creditors are memorializing Congress that the undistributed \$100,000. now remaining in the Treasury, shall be distributed among them in proportion to the ascertained that some would only pay seventy-eight per centum.

It is expected that a force of three hundred more recruits (infantry and artillery) will leave the New York station for Fort Leavenworth about the 1st of April to re-inforce the regiments destined for the Utah service. After that addition only about 200 more will tation. be required to fill up all the regiments to their full complement of men.

The President is in no hurry to make his foreign appointments. He is for settling domestic difficulties first, relieving the deadlock of Kansas, and then inquiring into the merits of patriots who, in these perilous times, come to the rescue of the country and the Administration.

We have accounts from the capital of Mexico, to the 5th inst. It does not appear that affairs there have in any way improved. The "Extraordinary" of the 4th, represents the county to be in a most deplorable condition. The Zuloaga Government seems to be powerless to establish order.

We see by the last London Athenman that the project of a second Crystal Palace Exhibition of all nations, to take place in 1861, is on foot. The proposals, thus far considered, contemplate a universal collection of the

Some time during Friday night, some person or persons unknown, entered the house of Thomas Miller, esq., late Postmaster, at Columbus, Onio, and after administering chloroform to the entire family, six in number, they proceeded to search and steal.

The New York Tribune has "private and confidential advices from Washington which fully justify the conviction that the Lecompton bill cannot pass the House of Represertatives. It will either be laid on the table of the House, or so amended that its own fathers will disown it."

The Upper Mississippi is open to Keokuk. The Illinois is in good boating stage. The Missouri is rising below Lexington, with five feet in the channel; falling above that point with less than four feet on the bar.

The first freight train over the Norfolk and Petersburg Railroad, reached the for mer city on Monday evening. It was laden

The House Select Committee of Investigation on Printing, discloses the fact that the printing of the two last Congresses cost about

The tardiness of Virginia, in coming to the specie basis, is the sulject of general re-

Telegraphic Despatches. visiters were formally received by the President to-day who tendered to them the hospitalities of the country. The Admiral replied, saying that he had been directed by his imperial master to be guided by the advice and direction of the President, and to offer a souvenir in testimony of the high regard entertained by the Sultan for the President. The President then invited his visiters to dinner on next Wednesday.

CHARLESTON, March 17 .-- The screw steamship George's Creek, from Baltimore, arrived this morning. She reports the Atlanta on Sunday night, with her cargo discharged, her anchors out, and gradually working off every high tide. The prospect of her being off soon was considered good.

been accidentally run over by a train on the Hudson River Railroad this morning, and killed, a riot ensued among the Irish laborers. The police were beaten off with stones by the rioters who numbered some 5,000 men. Another train was also attacked with showers of stones and great excitement prevailed. It has however since abated.

ROCHESTER, March 18 .- A heavy gale of wind passed over this city last night unroofing houses, blowing down steeples, &c. There was also much damage done in this vicinity. The telegraph lines west and south are down. There is also a flood in the Gennesee river which is doing considerable damage.

ALBANY, March 18 -- In the Assembly after morning session to-day, high word- en-ued between Messrs. Delancey and Chatfield, when the latter seized the former by the throat and held him till be became black in the face. The bystanders prevented further blows but they were parted with much diffi-

Sr. Louis, March 17 .- The Leavenworth correspondent of the Leader says that the Free State vote for delegates to the Constitutional Convention, of Kansas, in that city, amounted to 650 against 1,196 polled for State officers on January 4th last.

ALBANY, March 18 .- The river Hudson is ice at Albany cleared away last night. LOUISVILLE, March 17 .- The wind blew

almost a hurricane here at noon yesterday. unroofing several buildings, and slightly damaging a number of steamboats. No lives were lost.

WASHINGTON, March 18 .- The famous bark Adriatic, which eluded the French autherities so successfully, arrived at Savannah this morning.

Boston, March 17 -The address for the removal of Judge Loring passed the Senate by a vote of 24 to 14.

The Florida War.

JACKSONVILLE, March 11 -- Major Rector has succeeded in inducing Billy Bowlegs, Jumper, and several of the principal men of and take with him all he can influence to go. prise, I can bear that much better than the Major Rector is sanguine of success in his negotiations. Col. Garret, Creek Agent, and Mr. John-

feet some necessary arrangements previous to the Indians leaving Florida. The Indians wish to see the money pro-

mised them in case of removal; to procure which is the object of Major Rector's visit. Assinwah, the elder, is wounded. He will has come, and we are a free and independent meet the delegation to negotiate in behalf travel.

The friendly Indians, in their scouts, failed the white flags, and came into camp without vorable result.

Texas--Its Future.

It is obvious to be seen that before the lapse of many years, Texas will be the leading State of the South, if not of the entire Confederacy.

Within its embrace lies an empire of the most fertile land on the globe-of land which, Leod to mercy, the following proceedings many members of the House of Representa- as well from gradation of climate as from its took place: tives were on the floor, Mrs. Crittenden and own fecund soil, is capable of yielding every variety and any excess of vegetable product, galleries, and his friends crowded round him whether for the comfort or the luxury of shortly after he had concluded, and congrat- man. Cetton and sugar-those prime necessities of civilization-are the staple articles of its agricultural wealth, and may be produced to an unlimited amount. Wheat, maize, and the other crops of more temperate regions, may be cultivated with equal su cess in the higher latitudes of the State. everal claims. \$7,000,000 were appropria- Its pasturage is absolutely exhaustless. Ined by Congress to satisfy the claims of these deed, there is scarcely any product, either of preditors, but taking all the claims it was the temperate or tropical zone, to which it is not adapted in respect both of soil and cli-

The Southern boundary of Texas is washed by the waters of the Mexican Gulf; on either side its frontier is protected by a considerable river, and its interior is intersected | a long and, I hope, impartial trial, you have by streams which suffice as well for purposes of irrigation as of commercial transpor-

Texas enjoys, moreover, a peculiar felicity of position, by reason of its vicinity to the great Valley of the Mississippi, its contiguity to the mineral resources of Mexico, and its possession of the most direct and practicable highway between the Atlantic and the Pacific-between Europe and Asia. In respect of climate it is the Italy, in respect of fraud, and fabricated documents, for the puradvantages of its situation, it is the Turkey direct, or indirect, benefit. It would be a of America.

The moral characteristics of Texas furnish an equally sure presage of its future gran- not a mere breach of contract with the deur. Its people are of an adventurous, en- shareholders or customers of the bank; but ergetic and enduring race. Reared in the it is a criminal conspiracy to do what inevischool of adversity, they delight to grapple tably leads to great public mischief, in the with difficulties. As their liberties were ruin of families, and reducing the widow and purchased by their blood, so they are not apt or phan from affluence to destitution. I to be indifferent to any encroachment upon regret to say that in mitigation of your their rights and independence. With the bardy virtues of a remitive civilization, they combine the arts and address of more settled and cultivated communities.

Starting with these incomparable advanis steadily rising in value. Her agricultural filled by the government, and the jury have ing navigation, establishing schools, endow- illegal, and will not only give rise to punagriculture, propagating christianity, and the Confederacy. She will soon attain that a milder sentence than I otherwise should: nized as the Empire State of the Union -This is the evident destiny of Texas.

There was a time when the South exhibi- for one year. ted less interest in the growth and progress of Texas; for there was a time when the recommended you to mercy, and I think malign influence of some and the craven there are grounds which justified them in spirit of compromise, dominated its councils coming to that conclusion; but still there is and directed its policy. There was a time strong evidence against you. That paper even when the South feared lest perchance for which the jury sent shows that, though Texas would apo-tatise from the alliance of you were a respectable member of society, and the slave-holding States.

gress will compare with the delegation from you is nine months' imprisonment in the any other Southern State. Her domestic ad- Queen's prison. ministration is under the control of an Executive and a Legislature by whom the policy that you also had a guilty knowledge of the tuive. of the Commonwealth is strenuously ted to the end of extending and consolidat- in that report and balance sheet, and I harmony with the Southern purposes of of information, and several papers read tives. Her press is equally able and active are less guilty, you must be imprisoned for in imparting a proper tone to public opinion; six months. while among her sons many such gallant | Henry Dunning Macleod, the jury, who vated and enlightened patriotism.

All this physical effort, intellectual activieminence among the States of the Confede- jesty and be discharged. racy, and to invest her with the powers and New York, March 18 .- A man having responsibilities of leader of the South .- sentences might be deforred till Monday, in

Richmond South. Suspension of the Banks.

We believe the entire country is anxiously looking to the Legislature for some relief from the present state of bank suspension .-Shall the country be disappointed? A more unwise policy than that which postponed re- led to contra-t her present with her former sumption until next November, in our judg prosperity. Formerly, all was life and busment, never met the sanction of a delibera-

Indeed, if we are correctly informed, the banks themselves ask no such favor from the hands of the Legislature. The old banks, diversion of trade and travel and the exhausespecially, declare their readiness to resume tion or disposition of the products of the

It is a shame and a disgrace upon the rep- newal of business is anticipated. utation of the State, that we should isolate ourselves in the condition of regudiation .- hands of Mr. Sanders, formerly of Alexan-But in the view of interest alone, we must dria. declare that no proposition can be sustained by considerations more obvious than those which suggest the relief of our currency from its present degraded state. Every interest may be seen there. demands it, and demands that it be done promptly. Aside from all other points of view, it is impossible that our merca tile interests can fairly compete with their rivals, while they are subjected to the ruinous exchanges current now, and so threateningly prospective. That there will be temporary relaxation in their stringency from evanenow open to Albany, and the boats will com- scent causes, may be true; but so long as we mence running to that point to morrow. The have a currency inconvertible into specie, we remain at the mercy of those who use real money in their transactions. They will buy our commodities with the inferior money of our purrency, and sell theirs for the superior money of theirs; and thus have the inducement to disparage ours still further to add to their profits .- South Side Dem.

The Collins Steamers.

following extract of a letter from E. K. Collins, esq., to J. C. Brocksmit, of New Orleans; NEW pleasure to acknowledge receipt of your lavor of the 12th inst., and feel under great obli- have advised him to reprint the book there, and igations for the interest taken by you in the have assured him that he ought to send the au-Collins steamers. The fact is, we have ex- thor £ 600 sterling for the privilege of printing perienced so much opposition from Congress that we have resolved not to solicit any furthe different bands, to come and hold a ther sid from that quarter. Although I shall "talk." Bowlegs is disposed to emigrate, lose a large amount of money by the entercold indifference I met with from my country for whose honor I have periled my fortune and devoted the last twelve years of my life. son, are on their way to Washington, to per- I have one consolation-that I retire from it leaving our flag yet foremost on the oceanthe Baltic's best western passage note qualed, and but for bot journals, independent of the low steam we were compelled to carry in consequence, the Adriatic's actual running time to the eastward was several hours less than the best time of the Persia. OTATOES! POTATOES!!-A lot of prime

Seed Mercer POTATOES, for sale by KNOX & BRO. mh 20-1m DATAPSCO FAMILY FLOUR, just received from Baltimore, and for sale by

mh 20

Sentences on Bank Directors.

When the jury agreed upon their verdict finding all the directors of the Royal British Bank guilty, and recommending four of them, Messrs, Stapleton, Kennedy, Owen and Me-LORD CAMPBELL - Mr. Athertin, do you

oray judgment? I am prepared to deliver ugdment. Mr. ATHERTON - As your Lordship is pre

ared, I pray judgment. LORD CAMPBELL.-Perhaps it will be better I take till Monday morning.

Mr. Serjeant SHEE said the defendants uld then submit athidavits. Mr. KENNEDY said he wished to move

a new trial. Upon that Lord Campbell said he would pronounce judgment at once; and the defendants were all called to take their places on the floor of the court. Lord CAMPBELL said, I shall first pass sen-

tence upon you, Humphrey Brown, Edward Esdaile, and Hugh Innes Cameron. After been convicted by a jury of your country, upon the clearest evidence, of an infamous crime. You were charged with conspiring to deceive and defraud the shareholders of the bank to which you belonged by false representations; and it is clear that you did so. acquit you of having originated this bank with the fraudulent intent to cheat the pub lie, but it is now demonstrated that for years you have carried on a system of deliberate the agricultural, commercial, and political pose of deceiving the public for your own disgrace to the law of any country if this were not a crime to be punished. It is offence it was said that it was a common prac-

Unfortunately, a laxity has been introduced into certain commercial dealings, not from any defect in the law, but from the law not tages, Texas is pushing forward in the career being put in force; and practices have been of material and moral development with un- adopted, without bringing a consciousness of paralleled energy and success. Her popula- shame, and I fear without much loss of chartion increases at a ratio which will stand acter among those with whom they associate. comparison even with the fungus growth of It was time a stop should be put to such a many States in the Northwest. Her land system, and this information was properly productions increase with astonishing rapid- properly found you guilty. I hope it will ity. She is constructing railways, improv- now be known that such practices are ing colleges, fostering commerce, stimulating ishment, but that no length of investigation, no intricacres of accounts, and no by every other agency of development and devices will be able to shield such praceducation, rapidly rising to a level with the tices. On account of this being the first most prosperous and powerful members in prosecution of this nature, I pronounce eminence; but her flight will be still upward but the mildest sentence that I can proand onward, until she is everywhere recor- nounce upon you, Humphrey Brown, Edward Esdaile, and Hugh Innes Cameron, is that you be imprisoned in the Queen's Prison

Richard Hartley Kennedy, the jury have filled creditably the office of sheriff, you lent But Houston's ascendency is overthrown, yourself to this deception. You did not dethe spirit of truckling subserviency has been rive any personal advantage from it, but it is exorcised, and Texas now marches in the clear to my mind that when you joined in

insolvency of the bank when you concurred

el quence to inculcate the lessons of an ele- found you also guilty. The sentence upon you is that you be imprisoned for three ty and political aspiration-all this material | John Stapleton, the jury have found you

result, and that is, to elevate Texas to a pre- to do more than pay a fine of 1s. to Her Ma-Mr. Kennedy applied that execution of the

> order that arrangements might be made. LORD CAMPBELL-I will not delay execution of the sentence for a single moment.-

(Appiause.)-London Times.

Winchester.

In a recent visit to Winchester, we were tle in its fullest extent, - but now she presents a rather gloomy aspect. This, however, is to be accounted for in many respects .-The pressure of the times, together with the soil. As Spring advances, however, a re-

The "Taylor Hotel," has gone into the

The "Old Union" is now used as a Boarding house, and would present a gloomy front, but for the sweet smiles of the Fair Sex who

Most of the old Depot warehouses are closed -or occupied in mechanical pursuits. But many think "there is a good time coming. -Charlestown Free Press.

FETHE GREAT BOOK OF THE DAY AT FRENCH'S Book and Periodical Depot. Sartaroe, a Tale of Norway, by J. A. land, author of the "Watchman," "The Wan-derer," "Diary of an old Doctor," "The Lawyer's Story," complete in one large volume, andsomely bound in cloth, \$1.25; paper covers two volumes, \$1. Hear what Washington Irving says of this new work.

SUNSYSIDE, IRVINGTON, Nov. 1st. 1857 - Mu Dear Friend: According to promise, I have read "Sartaroe," and now will give you my opinion of the book in a word. It is highly creditable to your genius. It is excellent, all in all, the best novel issued from the American The New Orleans Picayune publishes the press for some years past. It must certainly meet with success. I will do my best for you You ought to clear, at least, \$4,000 or YORK, Feb. 22, 1858 .- I have the by it. Thave written to Murray, of London my old publisher, as I told you I would, and the work in England. You may use this when the book comes out. With the greatest esteem, WASHINGTON INVING I am your friend,

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Hall's Journal of Health for February, 125c Eclectic Magazine for March 50c. mh 20 ERKLEY & SHACKLETT are now re-D ceiving their Spring and Summer supply of Staple and Fancy DRY GOODS, to which

they invite the attention of purchasers generally.

LLOWER SEED .- 600 papers FLOWER SEED, assorted, received from Landre h,

JOHN LEADBEATER & SON. Stabler's Old Stand Burr and Hamilton.

The Hon, Rufus Choate delivered a lecture on Thursday evening last, before the Mercan- ities to the following enactment, which has tile Library Association of Boston. The subject of his discourse was "Hamilton and Barr." A very large audience was in attendance, comprising many of the most distinguished men in Massachusetts. The Boston Courier contains a concise and very satisfactory synopsis of this great oration. We extract the following:

The lecturer proceeded to speak of the life of Aaron Burr, representing it as having begun and ended with his services in the army, which he entered in 1775 and left in 1779 In those four years he rose to the command of a regiment, and in one capacity or another fought in Massachusetts, in Canada, in Connecticut, in New York, and in New Jersey. Everywhere he was equally himself. Everywhere he was more than a match for the force of foes. Everywhere he was unsleeping, skilful and brave, and this is all that must remain. That life so prolonged, so selfish, so active, so thriving with the heated fevor of egotism, to these dimensions must come at last. His unsuccessful struggle in politics and the duel with Hamilton completed his ruin; as a public man he is heard f no more.

He may have loved his daughter, and kept ome friendships, but he had no regard for the spirit of humanity, or for any solemn plausibility of life. He spared neither man n his anger, nor woman in his lost, nor the Union in his ambition. Stat nominis umbra.

Let us observe him no longer and pass on. The life of Hamilton was brilliant, splendid, great, and melancholy, beginning when he addressed the people of New York in the great fields of 1774, and ending when Federalism, went down as a national party for the first and last time in 1801.

In his services in the field of war, in preparing the intellect of America for a separation from England, in forming and administering our own government, and in then descending to the capacity of a private citizen, he has been everywhere regarded as the foremost of our great men. All the lessons of war he knew by heart, having learnt them in the military family of Washington.

Mr. Choate denied that Hamilton was aristocrat, or a monarchist; and yet, he asked if there was not much in his services in the war to make him so? These things teach us now transient is fame. How mighty is sometimes the name of virtue; how seldom loes mere duty reward itself. How often the the cry of "Hossannah" to-day, is followed y the shrick "crucify him," to morrow.

Hamilton's labors as the editor of th Federalist, and the remarkable precociousness of his intellect were spoken of. He pegan to speak at the age of eighteen, and at that age was among the ablest of our writers in the great controversy with England. At twenty-four he wrote that masterly letter to Duane, anticipating the provisions the Constitution. At thirty-two he wrote for the Federalist, and at thirty eight he ceased to be a public man. Saving Paschal, Casar and Napoleon, it is doubtful if vaster r purer powers have been exhibited by man. With the exception of political opponents and political competitors, Hamilton had no nemies. No man knew him but to love him.

Cutting off Extra Allowances.

The representative from this Congressional District (Gov. Smith) made one of his characteristically able speeches a few weeks ago on the bill to regulate the pay of the Clerks and other employees in the service of the House of Representatives. The bill contemplates a re-organization of the very van of the Southern States. Wheth- that last report you were fully aware that whole force of employees, and such proer in respect of personal ability or politi- the bank was insolvent, and you knew it to visions for their pay as shall cut them off cal principle, her representatives in Con- be false. The lightest sentence I can give from extra allowance. It is not a bill for Buncombe, but a practical and sincere attempt to correct a gross abuse, and as such William Daniel Owen, the jury have found received the powerful aid of our Represen-

ing the interests of the State. Her laws cannot say they were wrong, for you had voting an additional allowance of 20 per from society at home and seeking an asy are interpreted by a judiciary who work in long been a director, and had ample means cent, without assigning any reason therefor. lum amidst the almost unbroken wilderness The secret of this extraordinary liberality of the Far West. Enquiries will be undoubt her Governor and her popular representa- show that. Therefore, though I think you of public funds, by our public servants, is edly pushed into this matter and the whole told by a correspondent of the Boston Cou- affair sifted to the truth. There are similar We are informed that during the ger things in Heaven and earth, than were latter part of the session particularly, a taspirits as Wigfall are employing the arts of are the proper judges of the fact, have ble is spread regularly in a room conveni- tio. ently accessible to members, to which they have free access, and which they visit as frequently as the demands of the inner man miniatures now in possession of a member require; and this in individual cases, is and moral improvement, can realize but one guilty; but I cannot conscientiously order you very trequently indeed. This table furnishes a feast of fat things, and of wines and stronger beverages, in all respects being adap- divine creation which poets and crates ted to the tastes and habits of the guests; and it is provided wholly at the expense of the clerks and employees aforesaid, without fee or any other hope of reward than that which how melancholy the history of this strange they been accustomed to realize in the shape of this extra allowance, which is generally accorded to them at some favorable moment, when the fumes of the wine and the generous effects of the larder made it appear to members a very reasonable appropriation.

This very offensive form of bribery and orruption was practised upon the members it the last Congress with more than ordinary success. It is boldly charged that a resolution was passed, at that session, under the construction of which some of them claimed extra pay for services a year or two back, the "curtain and the tomb;" and their and that in one case certainly an additional allowance of \$5,700 was awarded to a clerk, bas reached me, here, is correct—that pair being two hundred per cent advance upon nis regular salary. The first Comptroller of | natural marriages) -that first born, at wh the Treasury refused to allow the iniquitous | tiny lisp the young parents' hearts les claims under this resolution; and they are still disallowed at the Treasury Department.

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Fire Marshals.

passed both Houses of the Va. Legislature Be it enacted, etc. That an officer who shall be called a Fire Marshal may be appointed in April of every year for each city, town or corporation in this State, by the corporation courts thereof, or by the common council, or trustees of any city, town, or corporation which has no corporation court, whenever, in the opinion of said corporation courts, common councils, or trustees, such appointment shall be deemed expedient.

2. The said Fire Marshal is hereby author. ized and required to make an investigation into the origin of every fire occurring within the limits for which be is appointed, and for that purpose, he is hereby invested with all the rights, powers, and jurisdiction confer red, and subject to all the pains and pensities imposed on, and shall be entitled to the same fees allowed to coroners of inquests, by the existing laws, so far as the same are not impaired by the provisions of this act, and it snall be the duty of such Fire Marshall to make quarterly reports in each year to the court, council, or board of trustees, by whom he may be appointed.

3. Whenever any fire shall occur, it shall be the duty of such Fire Marshal to be present at the same, and he shall advise and act in concert with all such officers of police as may be present, and for preserving order at and during the existence of such fire, and for tue protection of property, shall have concurrent jurisdiction with such officers of police, or the Fire Wardens, or Chief Engineer, of any fire department, but he shall not exercise any authority which will conflict with the powers of any Chief Engineer or the officers in command of any fire department, in the discharge of their special duties as such.

4 The corporation court of such city, town or corporation, or the common council, or trustees of any city, town, or corporation, which has no corporation court, may, at the time of appointing said Fire Marshal, at point one or more assistants, to be designated the First and Second Assistant Fire Mar shals, as the case may be, who shall, in the shaence of the Fire Marshal, in the order is which they are named, be for the time being invested with the same rights, powers and inrisdiction, and subject to the same pains and penalties, and entitled to the same com pensations which are conferred upon, and imposed upon and allowed to the Fire Marshal by this act. The said Fire Marshal and his Assistants, before entering upon their duties, shall respectively take an oath, to be admin istered by some one anthorized by law so to do, faithfully to discharge the duties of said office, the certificate of which oath shall i returned and preserved by the clerk of th court of the city, town, or corporation or to the clerk of the Board of Trustees any corporation not having such court.

Biennerhassett.

A new life of Blennerhassett, with a h ory of his settlement on the Wildernes Island, the "Burr Complicity," &c., is not in preparation, and will be the most inter esting and valuable contribution to nation al history that we have had for years-The wild and wayward story of that ac complished and hapless family, has never been written. A good work will supply a most important desideratum. The gent man who has it in hand is a Virginia who has written much on national history and who has studied the whole subject thoroughly, and is admirably qualified to the ta-k which he has undertaken. Such

a work will create a sensation. I have heard some new and strange facts about the consanguinity between Blenner bassett and the lady who became his wife, before they were "one flesh." These have been given me direct from a relative of the family, now residing in this city, and are of the most startling some years, at the close of the session, of the alleged reasons for their withdrawal

ever "dreamed of in thy philosophy, Harr-

I have fine likenesses of both Mr. at

Mrs. Blennerhassett, daguerotyped from

that family, in a distant city. He is a first looking man; pleasant, open Saxon face. She, although beautiful, does not look that have painted her. There is a peculiar of pression about the nose which does a strike the eye as favorable. But, alas alas couple. Whatever their secret fears as hopes, all have long, long since vanish in the vista of the past! Their beauti Island home, where taste and refinement literature and science reigned, secluded smil the placed waters of La Belle Rivere, get erations since relapsed into its original waste I have wandered over it in vain for even a vestige of its former splender. But, all have departed, and naught but the mem ries of the past survive. The once happy recluses, now widely separated, have mugh dren, (ah, here comes in-if the story whi ful injunction of Holy Writ, against

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